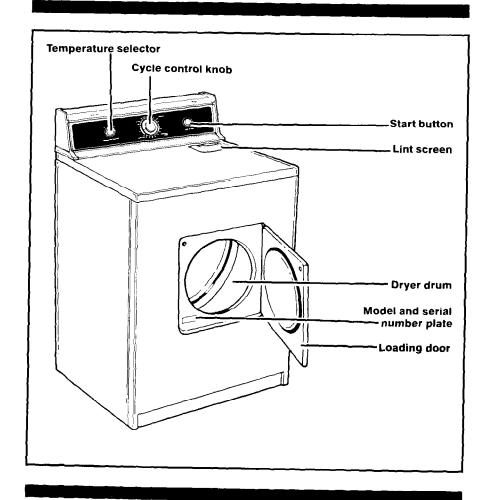


# **Use & Care Guide**



LARGE CAPACITY
AUTOMATIC DRYERS
LE4440XW LG4441XW

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If your dryer has a Consumer Buy
Guide label, remove it. It will be easier

to remove before the dryer is used. To remove any remaining glue:

 Rub briskly with thumb to make a ball, then remove.

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Soak area with liquid hand dishwashing detergent before removing glue as described above.

Do not use sharp instruments, rubbing alcohol, flammable fluids or abrasive cleaners. These can damage the finish. See "Important Safety Instructions" on page 3.

**NOTE:** Do not remove any permanent instruction labels inside the dryer.

You should wipe out the dryer drum with a damp cloth before using to remove dust from storing or shipping.

Thank you for buying a Whirlpool appliance. Please complete and mail the Owner Registration Card provided with this product. Then complete the form below. Have this information ready if you need service or call with a question.

- Copy model and serial numbers from plate (on the frame behind the door) and purchase date from sales slip.
- Keep this book, the Dryer Guide and the sales slip together in a handy place.

Model Number	

Serial Number

**Purchase Date** 

Service Company Phone Number

# FOR YOUR SAFETY If you smell gas:

- 1. Open windows.
- 2. Don't touch electrical switches.
- 3. Extinguish any open flame.
- 4. Immediately call your gas supplier.

# **FOR YOUR SAFETY**

Do not store or use gasoline or other flammable vapors and liquids in the vicinity of this or any other appliance. The fumes can create a fire hazard or explosion.

# **Important Safety Instructions**

# **AWARNING**

To reduce the risk of fire, electrical shock, or injury to persons when using your dryer, follow basic precautions, including the following:

- Read all instructions before using the dryer.
- NEVER dry items cleaned, washed, soaked in or spotted with wax, paint, gasoline or flammable fluids in the dryer. The fumes can create a FIRE HAZARD or EXPLOSION. ALWAYS hand launder and air dry fabrics containing these materials.
- NEVER allow children to operate, play with or crawl inside the dryer.
   Close supervision of children is necessary when the dryer is used near children.
- **DO NOT** reach into a dryer if the drum is moving.
- When discarding an old dryer, ALWAYS remove the door to prevent accidental entrapment.
- DO NOT install or store dryer where it will be exposed to the weather
- **DO NOT** tamper with the controls.

- You are responsible for making sure that your dryer is installed, repaired and parts replaced by a qualified person.
- Use only fabric softeners specifically labeled as not being harmful to the dryer.
- FIRE HAZARD and DAMAGE to materials can result from:
  - drying rubber, rubber-like and heat sensitive materials with heat.
  - allowing lint build-up inside the dryer or exhaust system. Cleaning should be done periodically by a qualified person.
- Clean lint screen before or after each load.
- DO NOT let dust, lint, paper, rags, chemicals, etc. pile up around or under the dryer.
- Dryer must be electrically grounded. See the Installation Instructions.

- SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS -

# Additional safety instructions and your responsibilities

- NEVER operate the dryer if:
- it is not working right (i.e. noisy, too hot).
- it is damaged.
- parts are missing (i.e. door latch).
- all panels are not in place.
- the lint screen is loose, damaged or missing.
- ALWAYS shut off the gas valve before leaving on vacation if you have a gas dryer.
- ALWAYS unplug the power supply cord or turn off electrical power before attempting to service the dryer. Shut off GAS VALVE if you have a gas dryer.
- You are responsible for making sure that your dryer;
- is properly maintained.

- is properly installed and leveled on a floor that can support the weight in a well ventilated room.\*
- is located in an area where the temperature is above 45°F (7.2°C).
- is connected to the proper outlet and electrical supply.\*
- is properly connected to fuel and exhaust systems.\*
- is not installed against drapes or curtains.\*
- is used only for jobs normally expected of home clothes dryers.
- is not used by anyone unable to operate it properly.
- \*See the Installation Instructions for complete information.

# **Operating Instructions**

# Starting your dryer

Be sure to refer to the chart below and the Dryer Guide for proper sorting, loading and control setting information before starting it.

SUGGESTED CYCLE	SUGGESTED TEMPERATURE
EX HEAVY	HIGH
HEAVY	
MEDIUM	
LIGHT	
PERMANENT PRESS	
40-50 MINS.	HIGH
30-40 MINS.	
20-30 MINS.	
PERMANENT PRESS	
40-50 MINS.	HIGH
30-40 MINS.	LOW
PERMANENT PRESS	
20-30 MINS. 15-20 MINS.	LOW
	EX HEAVY HEAVY MEDIUM LIGHT  PERMANENT PRESS 40-50 MINS. 30-40 MINS. 20-30 MINS.  PERMANENT PRESS 40-50 MINS.  PERMANENT PRESS 40-50 MINS.

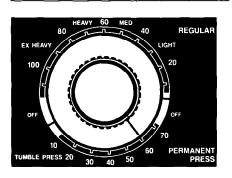
# **AWARNING**

#### Fire Hazard

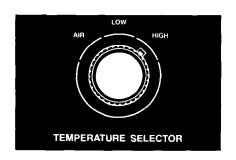
Drying rubber, plastic and other heat-sensitive materials with heat can damage them or be a FIRE HAZARD.

Rubber, plastic, heat-sensitive fabrics	PERMANENT PRESS	
FOAM RUBBER - Pillows, bras, stuffed toys	20-30 MINS.	AIR
PLASTIC - Shower curtains, tablecloths	20-30 MINS.	
RUBBER-BACKED RUGS	40-50 MINS.	
OLEFIN, POLYPROPYLENE, SHEER NYLON	15-20 MINS.	

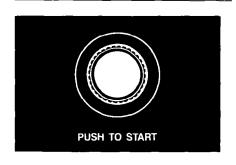
**DO NOT OVERDRY.** Overdrying can cause shrinkage, static cling, and damage some fabrics.



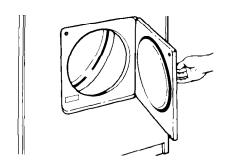
 Select a cycle by turning the Cycle Control Knob either way. Stop when the indicator on the knob's outer ring points to the cycle and setting you want. See pages 6-7 for further cycle information.



2. Set the Temperature Selector on the desired temperature settings.



**3. Push the Start Button** to start the dryer.

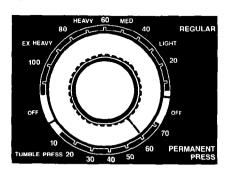


#### 4. To stop and restart the dryer:

- Open the door or turn the Cycle Control Knob to OFF to stop the dryer.
- Close the door, select a cycle (if necessary) and push the Start Button to restart the dryer.

The Cycle Control Knob should point to an OFF area when the dryer is not in use. If the dryer is stopped before the cycle is finished, turn the Cycle Control Knob to an OFF area.

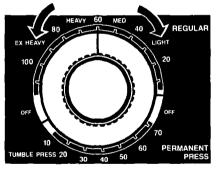
# Operating Instructions Continued





#### More drying time





# **Dryer cycles and settings**

The PERMANENT PRESS cycle helps provide the special care that permanent press and synthetic fabrics need. This cycle dries with heat followed by a 10 minute cool-down period. See the chart on page 4 for suggested time and temperature settings.

The EX HEAVY, HEAVY, MEDIUM and LIGHT cycles describe the loads they are designed to dry. See chart on page 4 for load description.

At each setting, the dryer will run about long enough to dry the load described by the setting. Example:

The HEAVY cycle is designed to be long enough to dry a load of heavy fabrics (towels, jeans, corduroys, etc.) when the Temperature Selector is set on HEAVY HIGH.

If the load is not as dry as you want, set the Cycle Control Knob more to the **left** the next time you dry that kind of load.

If the load is drier than you want, set the Cycle Control Knob more to the **right** the next time you dry that kind of load.

For a damp dry, turn the Cycle Control Knob to the LIGHT setting in the Regular cycle.

# **Cool-down times**

In all cycles, the heat shuts off before the dryer stops tumbling. This cooldown time helps:

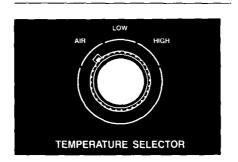
- · keep wrinkles from setting in.
- make handling the hot load items easier.

The PERMANENT PRESS cycle has 10 minutes of cool-down time at the end of the cycle.

The REGULAR cycle has 5 minutes of cool-down time.

To help reduce wrinkling, take the load from the dryer as soon as tumbling stops. This is very important for permanent press, knits and synthetic fabrics.

**NOTE:** Overdrying can cause shrinkage, static cling and damage to some fabrics.



# Using AIR setting

# **AWARNING**

Fire Hazard

Do not dry plastic or rubber items with heat. Use AIR setting, or line dry. Failure to do so could result in fire or damaged items.

The dryer does not heat when the Temperature Selector is set on AIR. This setting can be used to fluff or air dry bedding, plastic tablecloths, foam rubber pillows, stuffed toys, sneakers, etc.

- 1. Turn the Temperature Selector to AIR.
- 2. Turn the Cycle Control Knob to the number of minutes you want in the PERMANENT PRESS cycle.
- 3. Push the Start Button.

# EX HEAVY 100 OFF TUMBLE PRESS 20 30 40 MED 40 REGULAR 20 70 FRESS

# **Using TUMBLE PRESS\***

The TUMBLE PRESS setting removes wrinkles from clothing that has been packed in a suitcase or closet, and from items not removed from the dryer at the end of a cycle.

- 1. Set the Cycle Control Knob on TUMBLE PRESS.
- 2. Set the Temperature Selector on LOW.
- 3. Push the Start Button.

The load will tumble in heated air for 10 minutes. Then the dryer will tumble the clothes for 10 more minutes without heat.

For best results, put only a few items at a time in this cycle. As soon as the dryer stops, put the items on hangers or fold them.

# **Caring For Your Dryer**

# Cleaning the lint screen

The lint screen is located on top of the dryer. **Clean it before each load.** A screen blocked by lint can increase drying time.

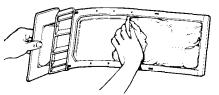
# **AWARNING**

#### Fire Hazard

Do not run the dryer with the lint screen loose, damaged, blocked or missing. Doing so can cause overheating, damage and be a FIRE HAZARD.



1. Grasp the cover and pull the lint screen straight out.



- Roll lint off the screen with your fingers. Do not rinse or wash the screen. Wet lint is hard to remove.
- **3.** Push the lint screen firmly back into place.



# Cleaning the dryer interior

# **AWARNING**

Electric Shock and Personal Injury Hazard

- Unplug the power supply cord or turn off the electrical power before cleaning the interior.
- Make sure the dryer is cool.

  Failure to do so could result in electrical shock or injury.

Garments which contain unstable dyes, such as denim blue jeans or brightly colored cotton items, may discolor the dryer interior. If the interior is discolored, clean with one of the following methods to avoid staining later load items.

#### Powdered laundry detergent

Make a paste with detergent and very warm water. Apply paste to a soft cloth and scrub area until all excess dye is removed. Wipe thoroughly with a damp cloth. Tumble a load of rags to dry.

#### - OR -

#### Liquid household cleaner

Apply to stained area. Rub with a cloth until all excess dye is removed. Tumble a load of rags to dry.

To clean dryer exterior, wipe with a soft, damp cloth.

# Lint removal

Lint can gather inside the dryer and create a FIRE HAZARD. This lint should be removed at least every 2 to 3 years, or more often, depending on dryer usage.

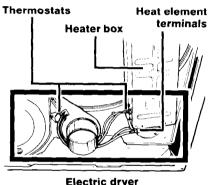
# **AWARNING**

Electric Shock and Personal Injury Hazard

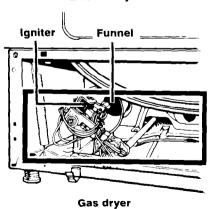
- Unplug the power supply cord or turn off the electrical power before removing lint.
- . Do not put hands inside the cabinet.
- Make sure the dryer is cool. Failure to do so could result in electrical shock, injury or damage.

## Cleaning should be done only by a qualified person.

- 1. Remove back panel (electric) or lower access panel (gas).
- 2. Avoid damaging wires, thermostats, funnel or igniter.
- 3. Remove lint from boxed-in area with a soft brush or vacuum cleaner.
- 4. Replace panel; reconnect and relevel the dryer.



**Electric dryer** 



# If You Need Service Or Assistance

# We suggest you follow these steps:

#### 1. Before calling for assistance...

Performance problems often result from little things you can find and fix yourself without tools of any kind.

#### If your dryer does not run:

- Is the power supply plugged into a live circuit with the proper voltage?
- Is the door closed tightly?
- Did you push the Start Button?
- Have you checked your home's main fuses or circuit breaker box?

### If your dryer does not heat:

- The AIR setting is without heat.
- The last minutes of heat settings are without heat.
- Is the gas turned on? If not, turn the Cycle Control Knob to OFF. Turn on gas. Wait 5 minutes. Reset controls and start.
- An electric dryer circuit uses 2 breakers or 2 fuses. If one breaker is tripped or one fuse is blown, the dryer may run, but not heat.

#### If drying time seems too long:

- Is the lint screen clean? See page 8 for cleaning instructions.
- See the Dryer Guide.

#### 2. If you need assistance ...

Call Whirlpool COOL-LINE® service assistance telephone number. Dial free from anywhere in the U.S.:

#### 1-800-253-1301

and talk with one of our trained consultants. The consultant can instruct you in how to obtain satisfactory operation from your appliance or, if service is necessary, recommend a qualified service company in your area.

If you prefer, write to:

Mr. Donald Skinner Director of Consumer Relations Whirlpool Corporation 2000 M-63 Benton Harbor, MI 49022

Please include a daytime phone number in your correspondence.

#### 3. If you need service\*...



Whirlpool has a nationwide network of authorized Whirlpools service companies.

Whirlpool service technicians are trained to fulfill the product warranty and provide after-warranty service, anywhere in the United States. To locate the authorized Whirlpool service company in your area, call our COOL-LINE \* service assistance telephone number (see Step 2) or look in your telephone directory Yellow Pages under:

APPLIANCES – HOUSEHOLD – ELECTRICAL APPLIANCES – MAJOR – REPAIRING & PARTS OR

WASHING MACHINES, DRYERS & IRONERS - SERVICING

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# 4. If you need FSP\* replacement parts\*...

FSP is a registered trademark of Whirlpool Corporation for quality parts. Look for this symbol of quality whenever you need a replacement part for your Whirlpool appliance. FSP replacement parts will fit right and work right, because they are made to the same exacting specifications used to build every new Whirlpool appliance.

To locate FSP replacement parts in your area, refer to Step 3 or call the Whirlpool COOL-LINE service assistance number in Step 2.

# 5. If you are not satisfied with how the problem was solved...

- Contact the Major Appliance Consumer Action Panel (MACAP).
   MACAP is a group of independent consumer experts that voices consumer views at the highest levels of the major appliance industry.
- Contact MACAP only when the dealer, authorized servicer or Whirlpool have failed to resolve your problem.

Major Appliance Consumer Action Panel 20 North Wacker Drive Chicago, IL 60606

- MACAP will in turn inform us of your action.
- \*If you must call or write, please provide: model number, serial number, date of purchase, and a complete description of the problem. This information is needed in order to better respond to your request for assistance.

# Whirlpool Automatic Dryer Warranty

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LENGTH OF WARRANTY	WHIRLPOOL WILL PAY FOR		
FULL ONE-YEAR WARRANTY From Date of Purchase	FSP* replacement parts and repair labor to correct defects in materials or workmanship. Service must be provided by an authorized Whirlpool™ service company.		
WHIRLPOOL WILL NOT PAY FOR			
Replace light bulbs.	,		
C. Pick up and delivery. This the home.	s product is designed to be repaired in		
<b>D.</b> Damage to dryer caused by accident, misuse, fire, flood, acts of			

WHIRLPOOL CORPORATION SHALL NOT BE LIABLE FOR INCIDENTAL OR CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES. Some states do not allow the exclusion or limitation of incidental or consequential damages so this limitation or exclusion may not apply to you. This warranty gives you specific legal rights, and you may also have other rights which vary from state to state.

Outside the United States, a different warranty may apply. For details, please contact your franchised Whirlpool distributor or military exchange.

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If you need service, first see the "Service and Assistance" section of this book. After checking "Service and Assistance," additional help can be found by calling our COOL-LINE\* service assistance telephone number, **1-800-253-1301**, from anywhere in the U.S.

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